APPENDIX I

[Please see answer to sub-division (b) of question No. 155]

The caste-war and Taluk-war lists of candidates selected for Forest Guards' training

	Cochin-Kanayannur	Cranganur	Mukundapuram	Trichur	Talappalli	Chittur
Ezhuva	2	..	..	..	..	1
Romo-Syrian	..	..	2	1	..	..
Nayar	..	..	2	4	..	1
Muslim	..	..	..	..	1	..
Other Hindu	1	..	..	..	..	..
Other Hindu (Backward or Depressed)	..	..	1	1	..	..
Latin Christian	1	..	..	..	..	..
Other Christian	..	..	..	..	1	..
Jew, Anglo-Indian	1	..	..	..	..	..

Point of Order

Restrictions regarding Adjournment Motions

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Sir, under Standing Order 13, leave to move an adjournment motion.....

Mr. President: There is no adjournment motion before the President.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I raise a point of order. I had handed over a thing which I do not wish to discuss at all. I am only submitting that the procedure may be settled. Under Standing Order 13, leave for adjournment of the House for discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance should be asked after questions and before the list of business for the day is entered upon. That is restricted by rules 21 to 23. Standing Order 13 enables a member to ask for leave subject to the restrictions.

Mr. President: You must first state the point of order.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I want a ruling with regard to the restrictions imposed on the procedure for bringing adjournment motions before the House. The right to move the adjournment of the House for discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance is subject to the following restrictions under rule 22. "(1) Not more than one such motion shall be made at the same sitting; (2) not more than one matter can be discussed on the same motion and the motion must be restricted to a specific matter of recent

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occurrence; (3) the motion must not revive discussion on a matter which has been discussed in the same Session; (4) the motion must not anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration or with reference to which a notice of motion has been previously given; and (5) the motion must not deal with a matter on which a resolution could not be moved."

Mr. President: I think what the hon'ble member wants to know is whether any other restrictions exist with regard to adjournment motions. Yes, there are. For example, under rule 23 (1), after the adjournment motion is handed over, if the President is of opinion that the matter proposed to be discussed is in order, then only he shall read the statement. In interpreting the various rules, the President has given various rulings on different occasions. One of these rulings is that if the matter relating to the adjournment motion has taken place between the last meeting of the Council and the present meeting of this Council, it has to be moved on the first day of the Council. That is one of the restrictions. This is known to every other member of this House, except probably Mr. Salem.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* What is the occasion for this point of order now?

Mr. President: He has some doubts.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* This House is not the place to clear doubts.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* There is no such restriction in the rules or Standing Orders. Therefore, I thought I had a right to bring an adjournment motion regarding any matter that has taken place between the last Council and this Council on any day of the sitting of this Council.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Where is the occasion for this point of order? You cannot waste the time of the House like this.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I am not bound to answer the hon'ble member. I am addressing the Chair. I request that this may be embodied in the rules of the Council so that members who are not now in the Council may be enlightened on this ruling.

Mr. President: It is not necessary. Just as Statute Law is governed by judicial decisions, even so the Standing Orders and rules are governed by the ruling of the Chair.

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